OVERVIEW
The goal of this fellowship is to provide comprehensive education in the field of orthopaedic sport medicine with an emphasis on the development of a broad clinical and surgical expertise. In addition to a busy clinical and surgical setting, the Fowler Kennedy Sport Medicine Clinic group works closely with primary sports medicine physicians, physiotherapists and researchers to achieve a balanced approach to the care of injured athletes. The group is also responsible for the care of university athletes and coverage of athletic teams.

The fellowship is based on the preceptor model where fellows spend a three month clinical and operating room rotation with each of four consultants. This model offers opportunities for a broad experience in both arthroscopic and open procedures of the knee, shoulder and ankle. Fellows will be exposed to a large and diverse volume of cases; approximately 1000 knee and 500 shoulder arthroscopic procedures along with a wide range of with open knee and shoulder cases (knee osteotomies, reconstructive procedures of the shoulder, including arthroplasty).

THE FOWLER KENNEDY SPORT MEDICINE CLINIC  http://www.fowlerkennedy.com
The Fowler Kennedy Sport Medicine Clinic is located in the 3M Centre on the Western University's campus.

RESEARCH
A large volume of cases provides an excellent base for research and fellows are expected to complete at least one project to be ready for publication by the end of the fellowship. There are resources and potential for research in a variety of areas. Two strong areas of expertise are clinical outcome studies and applied biomechanics. Research initiatives are supported by a staff of research assistants and an increasingly comprehensive database. Biomechanical studies are carried out in the Wolf Biomechanics Laboratory located at the Clinic.

SUPERVISING SURGEONS

J. Robert Giffin, MD, FRCSC, Associate Professor, Fellowship Director
Dr Giffin has a special interest in the anterior cruciate ligament injury and alignment related disorders of the lower limb. He completed a two-year fellowship in Sports Medicine and Shoulder Surgery under Drs. Freddie Fu and Chris Harner at the University of Pittsburgh Center for Sports Medicine. His experience in Pittsburgh included care of the Steelers and Penguins as well as varsity athletes.

Robert B. Litchfield, MD, FRCSC, Associate Professor, Medical Director, Fowler Kennedy Sport Medicine Clinic. Dr. Litchfield's practice focuses primarily on shoulder disorders. His orthopaedic training at the University of Western Ontario was followed by a Sport Medicine Orthopaedic Fellowship at the Steadman Hawkins Clinic in Vail, Colorado. Dr. Litchfield is a member of the Canadian Alpine Ski Team medical group and is very active in the Canadian Academy of Sports Medicine.

Kevin R. Willits, MD, FRCSC, Associate Professor
Dr. Willits main interests are sport related injuries of the shoulder, knee and ankle. His fellowship training in sport medicine and shoulder surgery was with Dr. Buddy Savoie in Jackson, Mississippi. This included on-field coverage of varsity football teams. He completed a second fellowship in trauma and foot and ankle surgery with Dr. Roy Sanders in Tampa, Florida.

Alan M J Getgood, MD, FRCS, Assistant Professor
Dr Getgood’s interests include reconstructive surgery of the knee and shoulder, with particular focus on sports injuries. His clinical practice is predominantly made up of complex knee ligament injuries requiring reconstruction and joint preservation techniques. A component of this field is the assessment and treatment of articular cartilage injury. Dr Getgood completed his fellowship in Orthopaedic Sport Medicine at the Fowler Kennedy Clinic and a two-year research post at the University of Cambridge.
FELLOWSHIP DATES & DURATION
• Fellowships are twelve months in duration, typically from July 1 to June 30 of the following year
• There are generally four positions offered

Visit Western University postgraduate education website at: http://www.schulich.uwo.ca/education/pge/ for further information regarding procedures and requirements. Choose the “Post Grad Trainees” section and from there either the “Canadian Fellows” or “International Residents and Fellows” area.

HOLIDAYS/TIME AWAY
Four weeks, including time away at meetings are allotted as paid vacation time.

APPLICATION INFORMATION
Submit all applications by email to the attention of Anna Hales – ahales@uwo.ca. These are accepted between August 1 and December 1 two years in advance of the start date; e.g. Aug – Dec, 2013 for June 1 2015.
Applications must include:
  1. A personal statement of your desire for this fellowship
  2. A copy of your current CV
  3. 3 letters of reference to be sent by the referee to the attention of Anna Hales – ahales@uwo.ca

Fellowship Experience
• Orthopedic Sport Medicine clinics and ORs
• Sports Medicine related research; clinical and basic science
• Varsity Team Coverage
• Community and University Event Coverage

Team Coverage
• Western University Football Mustangs
• Varsity Men and Women’s Hockey
• Varsity Men and Women’s Rugby
• Inter-university events

Academic Experience
• Minimum of one research project completed and ready for publication
• Presentation of projects at the “Annual Orthopaedic Fellows Research Day” held each May
• Presentation at a minimum two rounds during the year on a topic of his/her choosing

Weekly Schedule
• Sport Medicine Rounds, 0700 – 0800 each Tuesday
• Orthopaedic Grand Rounds, 0715 – 0815 each Wednesday
• Sport Medicine Research & Clinical Rounds, 0700 – 0800 each Thursday
• Combined Sport Medicine/Arthroplasty Rounds, 0700 – 0800 each Friday
• 2 – 3 OR days per week
• 2 clinic days per week

Operating Room Experience
• Fellows perform as primary surgeon or first assist at all cases. The consultant is typically scrubbed or in close proximity for all cases. The degree of supervision depends on the skill and comfort level of each fellow.

ABOUT LONDON ONTARIO
Please visit the following websites for information about London. http://www.londontourism.ca and http://www.londonhospitals.ca. Here choose ‘Orientation’ and then ‘Welcome to London’

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